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SUPPLEMENTAL EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

Claims 16 and 18 are allowed.

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Michael Stewart on 4/8/06.

The application has been amended as follows:

1. In claim 16, line 1, the word "an" has been replaced by -- the --.
2. In claim 18, line 1, the word "an" has been replaced by -- the --.

Any inquiry concerning this communication from the examiner should be directed to Anne Marie S. Wehbé, Ph.D., whose telephone number is (571) 272-0737. If the examiner is not available, the examiner's supervisor, Dave Nguyen, can be reached at (571) 272-0731. For all official communications, **the new technology center fax number is (571) 273-8300**. Please note that all official communications and responses sent by fax must be directed to the technology

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